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Title of Invention: Information Search Method, Information Search Apparatus and Storage Medium

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Main Concept: To output user request information (i.e. input information) with (for example) advertisement attached.

The advertisement (or other) information to be outputted is selected from a plurality of candidates in consideration of a universally-accepted idea about the contents of each keyword included in each of the candidates.

Search focus: - The weight value assigned to the keyword is with a sign of "-" or "+".
 - The weight is assigned in consideration of a universally accepted idea.
 - The selection step in claim 5.

Claims: 1, 5, 8

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